Grade 10 – Semester 1 Study Guide

Grammar

**Run-ons and Fragments** – Finding and Correcting

**Agreement** – subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent

**Quotation marks** – correct use in dialogue

Reading Comprehension

**Plot and Setting** – introduction, complications, climax, internal and external conflict, etc.

**Types of characters** – subordinate, protagonist, antagonist, static, dynamic

**Characterization** - Direct and Indirect (through action, speech, private thoughts, etc.)

**Narrator and Voice** – Narrative tone, unreliable narrators

**Point of View** – first person, third-person omniscient, third-person limited

**Theme** – Universal themes, interpreting theme

**Irony**– Dramatic, Situational and Verbal Irony, Ambiguity

**Informational Materials** – step-by-step sequence, point-by-point sequence, diagrams, cross-referencing

**Synthesizing Sources** – Main ideas and supporting evidence, comparison and contrast, synthesis

**Evaluating Arguments** – claim, logical appeals (facts, statistics, reasoning, analogy), emotional appeals (anecdotes, loaded words), ethical appeals

Writing

**In-class Essay.**

I will give you a prompt which will be some general statement about life. You may write anything you choose on the topic. You can tell a story, write an essay, etc.

Whether you choose to write an essay, or a story, it must have a thesis, an opinion that you express. Therefore, if you are going to write a story, it should be about some experience where you learn some lesson about the topic.

Vocabulary - 52 words

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| rebounded | antiseptic | magnitude | solidarity |
| interminable | regressive | presentiments | callous |
| irrelevantly | prodigy | tenacity | feigning |
| incomprehensible | lamented | equanimity | immunity |
| unimpeded | listlessly | fortitude | construed |
| projection | mesmerizing | ingenuity | indemnifies |
| discarding | discordant | resignation | anxiety |
| confirmation | dawdled | pandemonium | placid |
| exhalation | stricken | commiserate | luxuriate |
| imperceptibly | fiasco | allegations | administered |
| manifest | nonchalantly | depraved | premises |
| intermittent | betrayal | liability | consoling |
| ebbing | subterranean | rationalizations | hospitality |